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Newsletter #65:

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Hello everyone! I'm finally getting around to writing my newsletter after a very busy week at the Chicago Coin Expo. I was very happy to see some of you there but also a little saddened by the meagre attendance levels. The power of the internet is strong and it has brought so many positive things to numismatics however I still believe that trade shows help to truly bring dealers together with their customers in a meaningful exchange. Everyone is busy and life can be hectic but I fear that coin shows are possibly becoming a thing of the past. I'm relatively young and my computer is my reliable instrument to take me to far away auctions in the comfort of my own home. That said, there is nothing more rewarding for customer or dealer alike than meeting face to face. Please try to visit a trade show if you can when they come to your area or nearby state. Don't just visit, spend money that you might have otherwise reserved for an auction. Dealers often travel very far to exhibit so when sales are sparse this certainly results in one less dealer at the show the next year. Just think how boring our hobby would be if we just sat in front of our computers and never met other like minded people.

Aureo & Calicó Auction 307 (April 25)

A&C has a live auction in Barcelona on April 25th. The auction is comprised of 750 lots of ancient and world coins, paper money and medals. There is an e-sale the day before of lower end material. I noticed a fair amount of decent Republican coins and a few decent Greek pieces. The auction can be viewed on either Sixbid or Numisbids if you want to see what they have. I can help assist if you need so please reach out.

DNW Auction Live Auction (April 25)

For those of you interested in early Anglo-Saxon or British Hammered coins, DNW has an interesting array of 290 coins. Everything from early sceattas to a small group of coins from the Cuerdale Hoard. Some of you may have noticed my interest in Anglo-

Saxon and hammered coins. If you also like these coins you should check out this auction.

CNG E Auction 419 (April 25)

There are 710 coins in this upcoming e-auction. One can always find good quality and decent prices (at least starting prices!) at these bi-monthly auctions. More exciting is probably the 108th Mail Bid Sale which closes in May just after the Swiss auctions. There are some very beautiful pieces that you might want to save your pennies for.

Peus Auction 422 (April 26-27)

Peus has a whopping 2,108 lots of ancient coins being auctioned off at their Frankfurt, Germany location over the course of two days. I've always been impressed with the little gems I find in the Peus auctions. Pedigrees are typically pretty prevalent throughout and the quality of the material high. I will likely participate online or by phone for larger bids so please get in touch soon if you have interest.

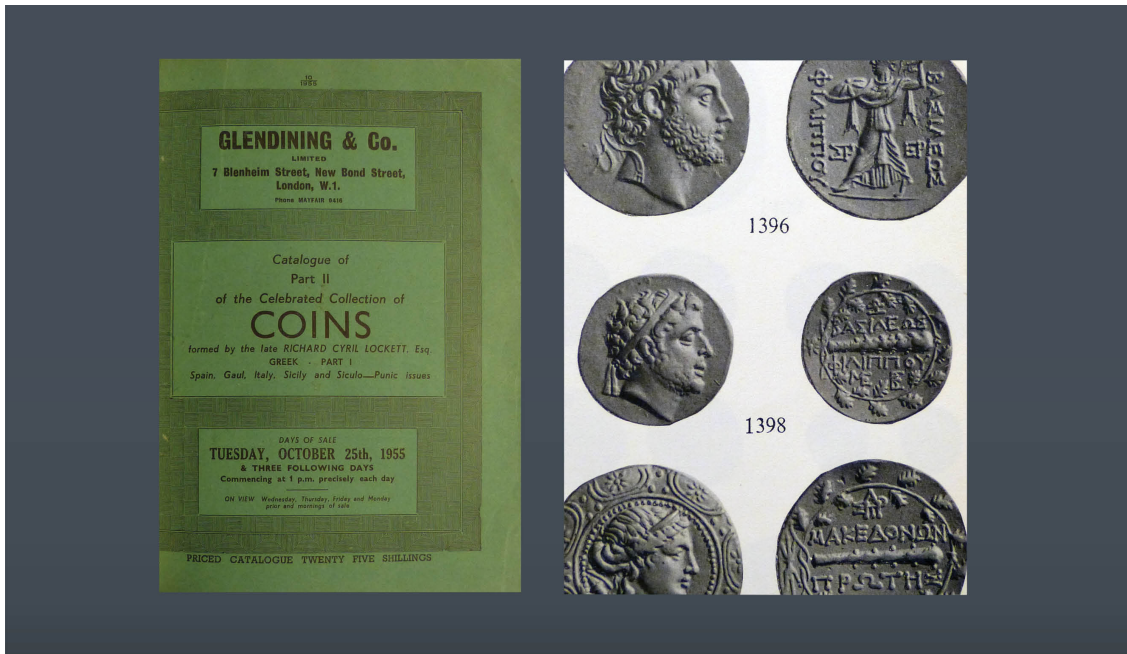
Upcoming Swiss Auctions (May 9-11)

NAC, Nomos and Leu all have impressive auctions jam-packed into three hectic days. NAC's auction is absolutely breathtaking with over 1,700 lots of pedigreed pieces that all collectors can fawn over. I'm truly looking forward to holding some of these gems again before they are auctioned off to their new owners. I hope that some of my customers can welcome these into their collections. Competition will be fierce I'm sure.

Nomos and NAC unfortunately will overlap by a few hours so many of us dealers will be racing across town from NAC to Nomos to catch their auction. My plan is likely to leave some of the later bids with a trusted colleague and head over to Nomos to fully enjoy their auction which also has some fabulous pieces.

The second Leu auction is on the 11th at the same location that Nomos has their auctions, however, viewing will be available before the auction at their offices in Winterthur. The auction doesn't start until 4 p.m. on the 11th so dealers can view lots at the auction location as well on the day of.

I am attending all three auctions so I'm starting to actively seek out my bids. Please get in touch soon with me if you think you have interest. This will help me tremendously to coordinate my time wisely.



Coin of the Week

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KINGS of MACEDON. Philip V. 221-179 BC. Pella, c. 184-179 BC.

AR Didrachm, 8.40g (24mm, 12h). Diademed and bearded head of king / ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΦΙΛΙΠΠΟΥ Club to right with name of king above and below. In field, three monograms

Pedigree: From the duplicates of the British Museum, London and from the R.C. Lockett and Dr. Hotz Collection. Ex Ratto, 26 April 1909, lot 1976. Ex Naville & Cie 5 (Luzern, 1923), lot 1469. Ex Glendining & Co., London - Lockett Coll. VI/2, 12 Feb 1958, lot 1398. Ex Münzen und Medaillen AG, Basel 88 (1999), lot 154.

Price: \$7,500

Philip V had the distinction of being the last real Greek king to wage a major battle before complete domination by Rome. With Rome busy fighting Carthage, Philip V gathered the troops and attempted to gain territory in the Aegean with only Rhodes and Pergamum remaining hostile. Unfortunately the great naval battle between the powers resulted in a loss by Philip.

This battle did not ultimately decide the fate of Macedon. Philip continued his course and attempted to overpower the emerging Roman armies. He eventually signed a peace treaty with Rome but his enemies at Pergamum continued to create tensions and suspicion between Rome and Macedon. Infighting within the family between Philip's two sons resulted in one son being executed by his father. Philip died only a year later and was replaced by his elder son Perseus who ruled as the last king of Macedon.

Philip V was routinely compared to Alexander the Great. He was evidently a very attractive young man and commanded the attention that Alexander had some 100 years earlier.

This coin has an illustrious pedigree going back to 1909. It was part of the Lockett collection and was a duplicate auctioned off by the British Museum. This practice of trading duplicates was common in the early 1900's and continued well into the 1970's.

References: *Mammoth, Philipp (this example mentioned). SNG Locket 1530 (this coin)*

Grade: *An impeccable pedigree and owned by the prolific collector Richard Cyril Lockett. Pretty cabinet toning with minor overall wear. A delightful piece. EF*

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If you are interested in this coin please click the link above or email me at shanna@shannaschmidt.com

Until next week!
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